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## Student Council protests move to ban committee input, seeks reinstatement

By Dan Tepfer and  
Elliot Huron  
Scribe Staff

The Board of Trustees' action to remove students from its Finance Committee was a fair one, according to President Leland Miles, who said last week that students and faculty never had genuine membership on the committee.

The Finance Committee was established years ago by the Board of Trustees to review the University's financial condition while the annual operating budget is formulated. In its review, the committee can decide to increase tuition for any given academic year, raise faculty or staff salaries or drop programs because of high expenses.

### INVITATION ONLY

President Miles said that when the Trustees set up

the committee, students and faculty could attend meetings upon invitation only. The difference now, Miles said at a press conference, is that there will no longer be invitations.

The level at which to influence budget-making, Miles said, is before the budget reaches the Finance Committee. "That way," he said, "it can be sent back for revision and then sent to committee. On the budget, we not only desire, but need, input."

Meanwhile, Student Council last week unanimously passed a proposal authored by Michael Hedden, Senator from the College of Business Administration, recommending the Board immediately reverse its decision and reinstate faculty and student representation. Hedden, along with Senior Class President Steve Day, was the Council member designated as representative to the Finance Committee.

In the proposal, Hedden stated that the decision made to eliminate students as members of the committee could greatly effect the future of the University. He added that the Board of Trustees has not given sufficient explanation to warrant the termination of students as members of the committee.

### LETTER

In a letter written by Hedden and Day to Miles, the two Student Council members said "the decision violates the basic philosophy of the administration—student relationship." The letter cited that a basic principle of the University was to regard students as adults. And in a recent Student Council meeting it was stated that the reason students were removed from the committee was because "they would have to be excused when important or embarrassing issues were to

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## Agency action draws criticism

By Linda Conner  
Scribe Staff

The Greater Bridgeport Regional Planning Agency's decision to seek office space at the University has drawn criticism from Bridgeport Comptroller John Cody.

Citing the University as a tax exempt institution, Cody said it shouldn't be "competing for revenue-producing leases."

Earlier this year, when the Trumbull-based planning agency decided to move into Bridgeport, the city offered them space in the new transportation center. But the city's Office of Development Administration did not act promptly enough, Cody said. Lower cost, easier parking and more flexible office space attracted the planning agency toward the University.

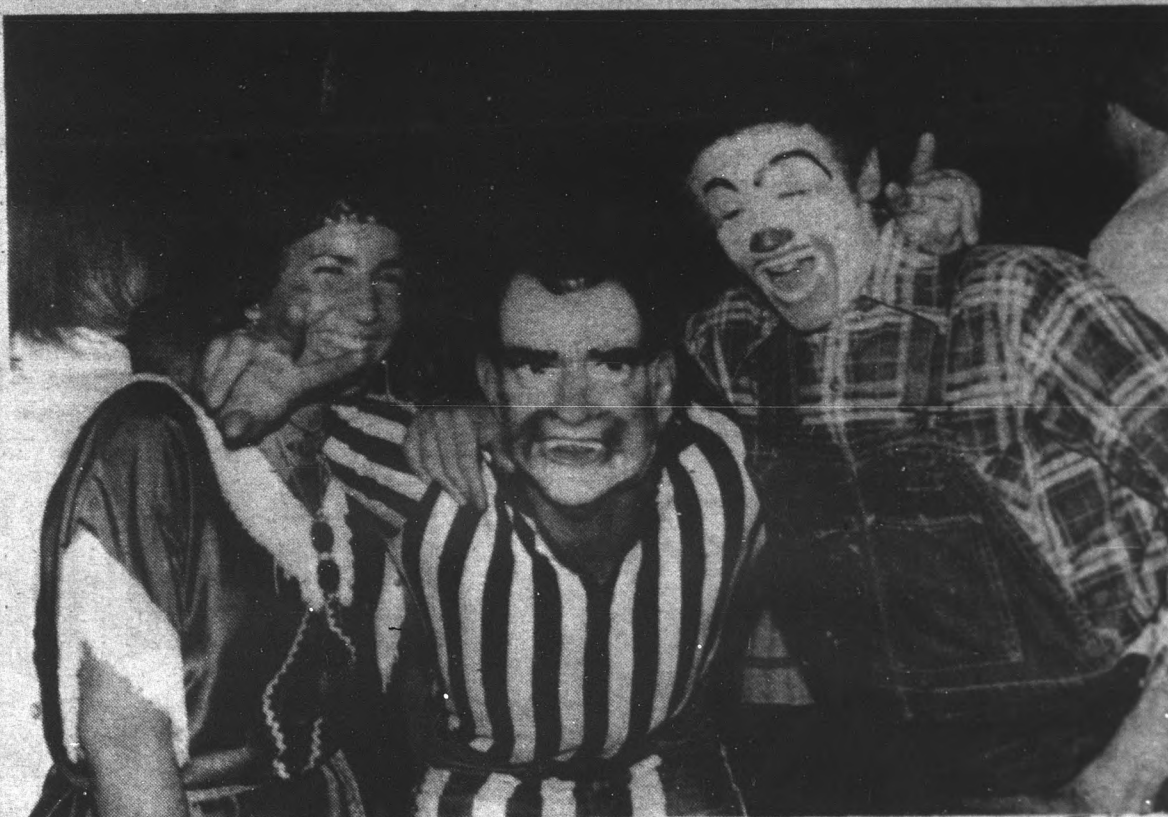
"It's just a known fact that we have empty space and that we have in the past rented such space to groups like the Board of Education and Action for Bridgeport & Community Development (ABCD)," a University spokesman said.

The University has not competed or advertised to rent space on campus, the spokesman added.

Bridgeport officials wanted the planning agency to move into the new transportation center on Water Street and rent 2,000 square-feet for a yearly fee of \$8,000. Space in Bates Hall, complete with three floors and a basement, would cost about \$5,000. The agency would also have to pay for any office renovation.

"The whole thing still has to

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Vic Goldman

### What a trio

The Halloween mixer was jam-packed Thursday night, with visitors coming from far away as San Clemente, California.

## The University, according to Miles

On Sept. 2, President Leland Miles addressed the general faculty at an early morning meeting. Here are excerpts from that address:

I'd like to talk with you just a little while this morning about the State of the University on September 2, 1975, and I want to begin by briefing you on some developments.

We have been engaged in an all-out effort to refinance our short-term debts. We have also been engaged in a number of academic enterprises. Some of these involve moves that should have been made some years ago. We are all

aware now that UB has oftentimes been first in concept but last in execution, and while we have debated whether to launch a program, our competitors have launched it for us and taken away our enrollment. So this summer we have moved in a number of areas.

First of all in the area of Urban-Suburban, which was widely discussed last year, and in which a large number of faculty are deeply interested in participating. Subject to the approval of the Liberal Arts Curriculum Committee and the Liberal Arts Faculty, we will go with an Urban-Suburban major.

We will also expand the intern program which is already quite successful with 100 interns, and most important, perhaps, we will launch in the fall of 1976 an Urban-Suburban Semester, which we hope will bring to this campus many students from all over the country, particularly from the mid-West, to study the interaction of the urban-suburban communities in the New York to New Haven axis.

We've also moved in the area of gerontology. We are launching four programs with the approval of the Junior College Curriculum Commit-

tee—an associate program, an undergraduate major, a minor, a certificate prog. am. These will be launched by the Center of the Study of the Aged which will be quartered at least temporarily in the Junior College. In addition to this, I've recently been informed, and I'm most happy to hear, that the Department of Counseling, Counselor Education in the College of Education, is also launching this fall a program, a specialized degree program, in counseling for the aged, so that we have the wonderful situation with a student

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be discussed and that they didn't see a need in having students remain."

"Concluding that students are adults, we would not be embarrassed to leave a Board of Trustees Finance Committee meeting should an executive decision be called," responded Hedden and Day in the letter.

Hedden and Day further said in the letter to Miles that "the frame work to get students back on the committee was to ensure that decisions made within the University consider the students and to portray the student opinion when necessary in order to facilitate the decision-making process."

"There are two types of members to the Board of Trustees, a Class A member which is a voting member and a Class B member which is a non-voting member but, sits on the committee and gives their input," said Joel Brody, president of Student Council. "The students should have been a voting member in the first place," he added.

"Miles' argument that students shouldn't be members on the committee this year seems to be saying that with what little input the students do have, is wrong, and that students shouldn't have any input at all," Brody said.

## FAIRNESS?

"How can any action taken by the Board of Trustees of the Administration or anyone else be a fair one, when it excludes student input on issues that in-

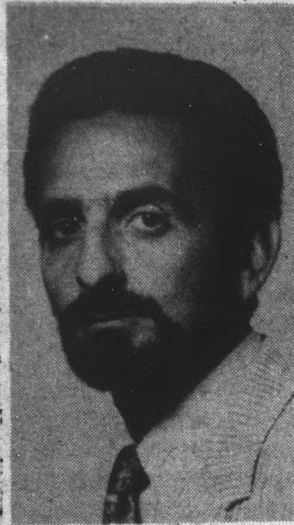
volve the students and their money," Brody said. "I think President Miles has a strange sense of fairness," he added.

"All members of the University including yourself, (Dr. Miles) should be working together for the creation of an open society in which everyone is working from the same set of complete and accurate data," said Michael Giovanniello, A and S Senator who expressed his opinion in a letter sent to Miles.

"Sound familiar? It should. It's one of Miles announced goals for his first year here," Giovanniello



HEDDEN



GERTEINY

said.

"Miles' decision on the Finance Committee goes against his own philosophy, Giovanniello said, who was in charge of organizing the evaluation by Student Council of Miles one year short term goals.

## AAUP UNHAPPY

Dr. Alfred Gerteiny, history professor and chief negotiator for the University's chapter of the AAUP, said AAUP is unhappy with the Board's action to remove them from the Finance Committee.

While admitting that the students and faculty members were just on the Committee by invitation, Gerteiny said the action was a blow to democracy. He added that it is important that they are represented on the committee and that he feels the action may be an attempt by the Administration to hide the financial success of the University.

On the Student Council's action, Gerteiny said that the AAUP would be glad to join with the Council to get the students and faculty reinstated to the Committee

## SYMPOSIUM

To the Student Council's reaction to the removal, Miles said that he plans to set up an annual budget symposium to gather input. He said that any interested person will be invited and he will explain the financial situation.

Miles said he will be going to the University Senate to get their input on the capital campaign, a campaign to get income for recreational facilities.

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be determined," said Raymond Bulter, University controller. "The Park City Alternative High School has also negotiated for the space in Bates Hall. The Bridgeport Board of Education has signed a lease in September, and was supposed to move into the building by Oct. 17. Unfulfilled contract specifications between the Board of Education and the University gave the planning agency time to step in and bid for the space.

But Bates Hall isn't the only empty space the University has available. Both the planning agency and the PCA could become University tenants if either agency decides to move into Park Hall, which has been vacant for the past year. It is more likely that the planning agency would get Bates Hall though, because of their interest in a long-term contract. Bates Hall is in better structural condition than Park Hall, and would better meet the agency's needs.

The planning agency, an overseer of industrial, transportation and housing development in the city and surrounding communities, made a decision to move after Bridgeport officials said they believed the five-municipality organization did not adequately serve urban needs. Whether these needs can be met from Bates Hall or the new transportation center depends on further agency-University negotiations.

## news briefs

### Giving assistant named

John A. Burnside has been appointed assistant director of Annual Giving. John K. Martin, director of development, announced recently.

Burnside will share the responsibilities of fund raising and he is directing the 1975 Phonathon.

Burnside received his BS and MBA in finance and management from the University. He was a dean's list student, and while a student at the University, he was a member of Alpha Gamma Phi fraternity, the Economics Club and the Alpine Ski Club. He played varsity football from 1969 to 1973.

The Pennsylvania native now lives in Bridgeport.

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### Epstein speaks on Zionism tomorrow

Danny Epstein, University Jewish student advisor, will speak on the recent United Nations resolution condemning Zionism as being racist, tomorrow at 9 p.m. in Georgetown Hall.

Epstein is a graduate of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and will voice a leftist point of view. He was an active member of SIACH, the New Israeli Left, a founding member of Moked, a left wing party, now represented in the Keneset Israeli parliament. He has been deeply involved in various radical and alternative Jewish groups in Israel and the United States. Most recently he was involved in Palestinian-Jewish dialogue and organizing a Radical Socialist Zionist body in North America.

All are invited to attend and express their opinions

### Student volunteers needed for agency

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# DeLaurentis: *A busy woman in a changing college*

By Marcia Burel  
Scribe Staff

Upon seeing her you might think she's a student by her youthful appearance and breezy manner. She possesses those attributes and a lot more.

She is Linda J. DeLaurentis, the assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.



Linda DeLaurentis  
...busy, busy, busy

De Laurentis has been assistant dean since July of 1973, replacing Dr. William Walker.

"Dr. Walker was assistant dean for eight years," she said with a chuckle.

"He quit to become a full professor of English." So right away she had a lot of responsibility on her shoulders in her new position, and time hasn't changed those circumstances one bit. She is a busy woman.

Before becoming assistant dean, De Laurentis had quite a bit of experience in the teaching field. "I had trained one semester before taking this position," she said. "Since 1969, I have taught French and Italian here at the University."

Before her career at the University began, De Laurentis attended Smith College for four years, where she obtained a degree in French language and literature. After that she went to France on a teaching fellowship for a time with the aid of a Fulbright-Hays scholarship. Upon her return, she traveled to Yale University and graduate school where still another degree would be waiting for her—a Master of Philosophy in French.

At the present time, she is in the process of obtaining a doctorate, which would make her Dr. DeLaurentis. "I'm doing a dissertation which I hope to be done with as soon as possible. I work on it whenever I have the time, though," she grinned.

When asked of her feelings concerning her position as assistant dean to the College, a

high position for a woman, she offers some thought-provoking reactions. "Well, first of all, I'm not the only woman in a high position here. There's Sharon Klebe, who's dean of the Junior College. Also, the College of Nursing has a woman dean," she said.

But DeLaurentis doesn't consider her particular position, as assistant dean in a college where men are majoring in more of the subjects than woman, different or more important than any of those.

"I'd like to believe I was appointed because I had the qualifications, not just because I am a woman. Whether the position I hold seems more important because men go into more of the fields than women in the college has nothing to do with it, all administrative positions are important. I don't think any woman would want a job of this nature just because she was a woman," she concluded.

De Laurentis went on to say that there naturally were reservations before she was hired, different ones. "For one thing, I was quite junior to be considered for a position of this nature. Another one would be, yes, I guess that I was a woman and that seemed so different to everyone, the thought of a woman being an assistant dean when the position had been held so long previously by a man."

Relaxing a bit, she continued, "There's very little static now that I encounter. There's cer-

tain advantages too, in being a woman," she smiled warmly. "There's a lot of good humor in the college, and the kidding I take is part of it," she said.

Getting more serious, she said, "I'm not a militant women's libber, just a concerned, professional woman. Looking at the feminist movement, I feel it has aided greatly in combating social discrimination, and is making women more aware of the options available to them."

But De Laurentis does not feel that the movement has played a big part in her success. "In this job, personality has a lot to do with its effectiveness, and," her eyes sparkled, "I feel I have that quality. In my job, I have to deal with people. That means using common sense but being

able to be sensitive enough, too," she said.

Why a dean and an assistant dean, why not just one person in charge of the whole college? "It would be impossible; one dean just wouldn't be able to take care of everything," De Laurentis said. "The College of Arts and Sciences is roughly three times larger than any other college on campus, so that sneaks for itself."

Some of the other colleges have assistant deans and some do not. One college De Laurentis believes should have one, is the Fine Arts College. "That is

growing rapidly and as it grows, there are more things to take care of," she said.

De Laurentis says one possible position like that which would satisfy her would be a department chairmanship.

"Although I like my work here, I can't possibly say how long I'll stay. I'll just take it as it comes," she said. "As far as the University itself goes, there are problems, granted, such as the recent strike and financial difficulties, but there are many exciting things too. I wouldn't be here if I didn't think so," she concluded.

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## editorial

## New directions

If the University's New Directions Committee is going to undertake an assessment of "low morale" then it has a major job on its hands.

Decisions made last year affecting the University's academic programs, enrollment and faculty strength did much to batter morale to one of the lowest points in the school's history. The Miles Administration, in other words, has a long way to go to restore any confidence in this institution that may have existed before the president and his new staff arrived on campus.

The evidence is tragic:

- The layoff of teachers in several academic departments,
- A ten percent drop in full-time and part-time enrollment,
- The strike pulled off at the beginning of the year by AAUP,
- The dropping of the varsity football program,
- The Board of Trustees' recent decision to eliminate student and faculty representation to its Finance Committee.

If Dr. Donald J. Wolk's committee wants to lessen tension at this institution, it should look first at the basic elements that create such tension on campus, not at national educational trends. The University must adjust to changing times in an era of financial retrenchment while certifying that all campus constituencies will stay alive, not die in a time of dipping confidence.

The University's image is at stake here and, if New Directions is truly interested in finding new directions for us, then it must begin with a "hometown" assessment. To do that, student and faculty input is a must.

## Goblins

The BOD-sponsored costume mixer that brought together 12 Groucho Marx's, 10 greasers, six pirates, three ladies in waiting and a partridge in a pear tree last week, deserves a few laurels.

An overflow crowd witnessed some of the most hideous and outrageous Halloween costumes in fright history. Music was good and the beer flowed all night. Up to 200 students had to be turned back at the door.

Fall Weekend, in general, can be termed a success for all those who attended the Carriage House Coffee House Party Friday night, the Robert Klein fiasco of laughter Saturday night and the Janis Ian concert Sunday.

BOD is having a good year. We hope students will continue to take advantage of its weekly offerings.

## sweet &amp; sour



When C. Wright Mills characterized the American power elite he probably was not thinking specifically of the University of Bridgeport.

Yet, much of what Mills applied to the political and economic power structures in the American system holds true within one of the Tolstoy-like cogs that make up this school.

We only have to squint a tiny bit to distinguish the power elite at this University. We cannot, however, point our fingers at them because they are invisible to the common man or woman and usually buffer themselves away in cozy business suites. When they meet in private at their annual meeting, the Board of Trustees demands tight security against unwanted intruders—the peasantry and other student-level menaces.

So who are these masked men and women that meet secretly in smoke-filled rooms to discuss the fate of our school? Where do they come from and how did they get here? Among them are corporate vice-presidents and presidents.

We have the retired president of Sikorsky Aircraft with us, a prominent corporate lawyer, the president of a savings bank.

We have the vice-president of American Telephone and Telegraph along with a president and trustee of the Carnegie Corporation. In short, we have a power elite that is in touch with the military-industrial complex. We have gathered champions of corporate life in a mecca for manufacturers.

The underlying danger in this make-up, however, exists within the basis of structural presence at this University. I am sure now that what makes Leland Miles run is the Board of Trustees (though we would not fault him for that except to warn him that he is in danger of being swallowed alive) and what makes the University of Bridgeport run is Leland Miles.

Bored  
of  
trustees

By Dan Rodricks

Is it not reasonable to assume that if our Trustees (the "officers of the University") come out of a corporate background filled to the brim with annual reports, long-term assets and stock graphs, they will not seek to organize this University in the same manner they have organized their own businesses?

One elite leads to another; one methodology applied in the Wall Street World can easily be applied to the ivy-covered world.

Or can it?

An interesting occurrence took place at the University of Connecticut last week. Robert F. Wiggins, a 21-year-old black student from Bridgeport, was elected by the entire student body to be a trustee. He is the first of two students elected to the Board of Trustees at UConn in its 94-year history.

The student trusteeship in state colleges was created under a law passed in the last session of the Connecticut General Assembly. The two student-trustees will have full and equal voting rights when they take office. The first time the board meets with Wiggins as a member will be Nov. 14 when a proposed tuition, room and board fee increase will be discussed.

The chances are probably slim for us to see such representation this year. But, I think it would be worth the best try of students en masse to bust the Board of Trustees. A few good scandals, a flood of letters of protest over the recent decision to remove students from the Finance Committee and a chain of embarrassing circumstances might create a more suitable atmosphere. An atmosphere void of elitism and corporate oligarchy.

(Dan Rodricks is The Scribe's Managing Editor)

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

The lack of concern this University manifests towards its students is both abhorring and offensive. This statement is in direct reference to the Board of Trustees' decision to remove students and faculty representatives from its Finance Committee. This decision, along with President Miles' support, carries with it two very serious implications.

The first is in direct defiance with my belief that I am a human being. The Administration's support of the Board of Trustees' decision leads me to believe that we as students are commodities; products that keep the University of Bridgeport, Inc. alive. I made my decision to attend this University under the assumption that it is an institution of higher learning for students, not as a pawn with money to be sacrificed for the Board of Trustees' game of success.

I want as a student (and I'm sure many of my colleagues agree) an equal voice through a

representative on the Finance Committee. And I also want to learn; and in all educational institutions, education is their prime directive.

And this leads to the second grave implication, and that is the Administration's apparent need of separation from student and faculty interests. These interests that I am speaking of are the same for all of us, and each should have an equal vote. If this decision stands, the University becomes an Administrative Dictatorship.

How long does the Administration believe the students will allow this to continue? Don't they realize how much power we as students possess? For without the students, University of Bridgeport, Inc. cannot exist. We are the University's means of survival. We are the University's main meal. We can make this University an educational facility, not a business where people are being dealt with like oil from the Middle East.

It is because this principle is obviously being threatened, that

I request that Joel Brody and Student Council seriously consider the possibility of a tuition strike.

A tuition strike is the most effective and powerful tool we, as students, could conceivably command. We would refuse to pay our tuition if the Administration's policy of no student representation would continue to exist. If by next year our demands for a fair and equal voice is not met, we attend another University. If it should come to this (and I sincerely hope not), then the University of Bridgeport will fold. Even if only 25 percent of the students followed the strike, I do not believe the University can still financially exist. It can be accomplished with student support, but only with Student Council's backing and effective leadership.

On the other hand, if nothing is done, then we are just what the Board of Trustees and Administration apparently believes us to be: Sacrificial Offerings On A Road For Financial Success.

Larry Kudvitz

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being able to graduate from gerontology from UB and go on to graduate work in our own College of Education here.

We've also made a decision in the field of the health sciences—a decision to regroup into a College of Health Science, and a committee has been appointed of people primarily from the Nursing and Junior Colleges to make some decision on what future model should be followed for the non-science courses in the Junior College program.

I have asked each vice president and cabinet officer to list privately what he regards as the three main strengths and the three main weaknesses of the institution. Each was to do this privately without any reference to the other, and then we had each officer read out what he had written down, and we discovered, as we suspected, there was almost complete unanimity on the three main strengths and some of the main weaknesses. For example, everybody wrote down "some excellent programs" and being prodded to say what they meant by excellent, they replied excellent in academic quality and in physical strengths.

Again, everybody wrote down more or less, "some excellent facilities" and included among these, of course, Wahlstrom and Bernhard. Also there was considerable voting for our location, strangely enough. The cabinet officers' feelings that on balance the location was excellent in terms of educational resources, in terms of the enormous human talent in the area, and in terms of the enormous fund-raising potential that could be energized here with the right approach.

On the weakness side we decided to ignore the cumulative deficit for the purposes of discussion, since it was obvious that it could not be fruitful at this time.

We came to the conclusion that there were a number of weaknesses, one of which it was felt unanimously was the destructive, perhaps in some ways the self-destructive attitude of some

members of the community, and I'm speaking now of all constituencies including the Administration. We felt that there were some individuals who by actions or by words, whether intentional or not, were eroding the confidence of parents in this institution, eroding the confidence of the community, and particularly the banking community in this institution. This attitude was not only destructive to the institution itself; it was self-destructive because if the institution could not continue, those within it could not continue themselves.

We saw these people, and I used this term last fall, as sort of a collective Samson pulling the temple down over their heads, which would be all right perhaps if we ourselves could not dwell in the temple too. We also felt that a great historical weakness of the institution, hopefully now to be rectified, was its past failure to respond to opportunities—to opportunities in oceanography, to opportunities in the law school, and to opportunities in paralegal work, and so forth, but there was a concession that perhaps we were moving now to rectify at the last minute opportunities which had almost been lost.

We said last fall that we would during the first year create a visible, useable working budget, one that could be held in the hands and utilized in the practical sense, and we have done so.

In point of fact, we transcended any prior achievement in annual giving by a very wide margin, raising almost \$600,000 from outside sources in the community. We said last August that we would reduce costs and that we would begin with a massive reduction of administration and supportive staff, and this we did in a reduction which amounts to over \$800,000 of annualized savings and 103 positions in administration and supportive staff.

We said last August that we would make a space study, a space inventory, and that we would reallocate space on the basis of anticipated future needs for specific departments and programs, and this we have made a good start on doing this past summer. We said last August that we would make a clean clear-cut decision on the College of Fine Arts. We would fish or cut bait on the College of Fine Arts, and we did—we fished, and the college is now off and going in splendid fashion.

We said last August that we would make a clear-cut decision, fish or cut bait, on the College of Health Sciences, and this we are now in the process of doing. The decision has been made to have a College of Health Sciences—to move into it—the present Health Science programs in the Junior College and Nursing, and to leave open for considerable discussion, the issue of what to do with the remaining programs in the Junior College.

On the matter of admitting failure, obviously there have been many of these, and the one that most concerns me is that we have failed in one goal—mainly we said last August that we would disentangle the lines of authority and responsibility among the various governance groups. We have not done this, and in point of fact there has been, as you know, considerable conflict in jurisdiction and even considerable

friction among some of the competing governance groups during the past year.

What about the future? I've said something about the past. During the summer, then, we spent our time on refinancing, on academic projects, on space moves, on structural reorganization, on Cabinet Retreat, and now what about the future?

Admittedly the fall of 1975 admission situation is a question mark. Our paid deposits are running perhaps about the same as they were running last year, but in the part-time area, particularly, it is difficult to tell at this point exactly what will happen.

What about admissions for the Fall of '76? Here I can speak more confidently.

*'The reason I became an administrator for the first time, which was here as dean, was for the creative joy that it could bring and that it did bring then.'*

We have made, during the late spring and summer, some investments in admissions, which admittedly cannot pay off this fall but hopefully will pay off—in fact, in my judgment will pay off in the Fall of '76.

We have invested in what is called a Search System which will give us a shot at 150,000 students of the type that comes to an institution such as this. We will then, through the search process, vastly increase our pull of applicants. Every school which has used the search system has been successful in improving its enrollment situation, and I would hope that UB would not be an exception.

There are many factors you and I have no control over. We have no control over the location. We probably have no control over the name of the institution. We probably have a minimal control over price, because no matter what the pricing is it will always be significantly higher than that of the public institutions.

In these areas we have little or no control, but there are many factors we can control, and we are not controlling them. Let me give some illustrations. There was an administrator this summer who was too busy to see a student on an urgent and very legitimate matter. That administrator, by behaving as he did, contributed toward attrition. There have been staff members this summer, and in fact every summer in every year, and I'm referring now to supportive staff, who are flip, discourteous, cold, sarcastic.

The advisor who gives out the wrong information makes his contribution to attrition whether he be an administrative or faculty or staff advisor. I had a parent this summer—in fact I had a number of parents this summer—write to me about what they alleged to be faulty advising.

The student leader, and this has happened, who appoints himself a head of a committee on the Student Council, for example, and then fails to fulfill his committee obligations. This is another example of a contribution toward attrition.

Students by their attitude, by their performance, by their failure to meet their obligation, they too contribute, and then faculty—faculty who are unprofessional in their conduct, faculty who are late to class or who don't show up for class at all, or as this summer, cancelled a class without any explanation.

A few days ago I was walking along the Long Island Sound sea wall with The Scribe editor, Dan Rodricks, and he said to me after we had reviewed some of the problems of the University, with a sort of quizzical look, "Do you like this job?" Nobody had ever asked me that in quite that way, and so I gave

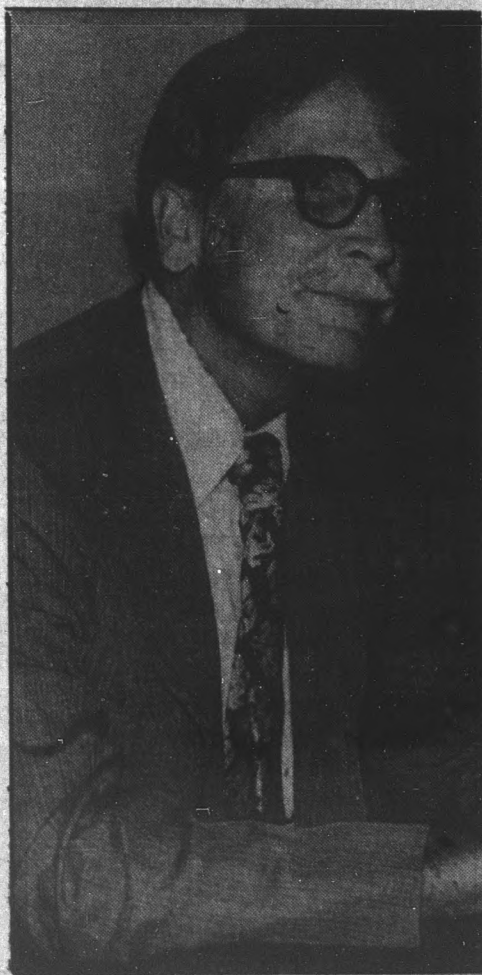
an evasive answer. The best thing I could think to say was, "Oh, on some days."

But on reflection I have got to concede that a more honest answer would be that I haven't liked it very much at all during the past year. I dislike, in fact I detest, financial crises and the defeatism that springs from them inevitably. I detest retrenchment and the adversary relationships which inevitably spring from such a mood. I detest them even at the same time that I realize that confronted with them one must face them manfully and with courage.

If the next year and the next are to be similar to the past, it is unlikely that either I or some of my colleagues would feel that this is a place that we would want to spend the rest of our lives. After all, why do people become administrators? No doubt you will have some humorous explanations, but let me give you the explanation that I understand from a quarter of a century in academic life, some of it in administration.

The reason I became an administrator for the first time, which was here as a dean, was for the creative joy that it could bring and that it did bring then. Those who go into administration go into it with the belief that there is a creativity in it, that there is even a scholarly quality to it in the way in which one ought to come to conclusions. Those who go into it go into it with the feeling that there ought to be some inspiration in it, and the thing I'd like to stress this morning, as I close, is that there was that kind of joy and inspiration here once—at least in the very narrow sphere that I worked in, and I cannot speak for other spheres, since my orbit of activity was admittedly restricted then, but among those that I worked with, there was a joy, there was an elation, there was a sense of inspiration, there was a sense of going somewhere.

We have excellent objectives and we were going to get there. There was a marvelous spirit. I wonder whether it would be possible to bring that spirit and elan and joy and inspiration back. I sincerely hope so.



Dan DiMartino



# the arts

## Klein: 'Modern-day Will Rogers with a satirical microphone'

By Daniel J. Rodricks  
Scribe Staff

He picked up a black, Flair pen and asked: "Where're you from?"

"Boston."

"That's where they made the spaghetti commercial. You know, 'Annnntttttthhhooooonnnnyyyyy!!'"

"Yeah, that's right. In the North End, Wednesday is Prince Spaghetti Day."

"Right." He forgets for a moment where he is and begins a monologue.

"Anthony Martinetti is running home today because Wednesday is Prince Spaghetti Day in Boston's North End. Today, however, Anthony Martinetti is running extra hard. Not because today is spaghetti day but because today Vincent Consuto is going to beat the shit out of him."

And within 30 seconds, comedian Robert Klein added a new ingredient for the course of jokes and jibes he offered up to a Mertens Theatre crowd Saturday night.

"This is some fancy theater you have here. Thank God for the Mertens. (Laughter) Now, now, it's not nice to mock dead people."

Klein, 33, proved himself a genius of satire once again to two full-house audiences with a brand of humor sweetly balanced between slicing cuts at a few American myths (Geritol, Walt Disney, the National Anthem) and some hysterical routines taken from his life as a child (acne, Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood, Saturday morning cartoons.)

"I never worry about audiences not laughing," he said backstage in between shows, "When I first started out, there

was some of that worry. But now I'm confident that I'm good enough not to worry."

And deservedly so. Klein is good, very good. He has a captivating stage presence that allows him to go on and on for 90 minutes at a time and still have the audience clamoring for "more." He is, perhaps, a modern-day Will Rogers commenting on the times with a perverted microphone rather than a lasso, with a New York, instead of Oklahoman accent.

"When I went to Alfred University in upstate New York, everyone made fun of the way I torked. The first day I was there the antisemitism began very subtly. I was walking by a fraternity house when off the front porch came a cheer: 'Jewboy, Jewboy, Jewboy'"

His comic heroes are Lenny Bruce, Rodney Dangerfield and Jonathan Winters and his background is one young audiences, especially those at colleges, identify with. Klein says he like the stand-up routine and would not give it up even if he were summoned to Hollywood to write and direct his own movies a la Woody Allen.

His material? All Klein—nothing sacred and almost anything goes. Saturday night he left behind a string of casualties that included everything from his Abnormal Psychology Class (that's when you get to look at sick people) to roller-skating Russian black bears (they really like roller skating around with a bell-boy hat on top of their heads.)

His attacks included:

—Raid Ant and Roach Killer: "The cock roaches in New York City couldn't give a shit about it. They get off on it."

—Public Service Announcements: "Kim Sook is a 14-year-old Korean girl who has never eaten..."

—Jacques Cousteau's crew of the Calypso: "...22 angry, horny, French sailors."

—And Marlin Perkins of Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom: "He always ties things into insurance somehow. You know, 'The mother rhinoceros steps on predators to protect her young. Boy, that's insurance.'"

Klein's source of material is the world and he seldom stops short for self-censorship. "I'm surrounded by stimuli. Every stupid thing I see becomes a joke because of its reality. And the audience tells me if it's funny—they either laugh or they don't laugh."

## Yoga class begins

A chorus of Oms will reverberate through the Interfaith Center tomorrow night as the first introductory lesson in Kundalini Yoga gets underway.

According to Soul Singh, a New Haven-based yogi who will teach the weekly course, the yoga lessons will deal with meditation, chanting, nutrition and massage, in an effort to "give students exposure to growing through yoga."

"Yoga means union," Singh said. "It strives for the complete harmony of the physical,

mental, and spiritual body. It opens up different centers within oneself and helps to integrate different aspects of an individual's personality by getting them in touch with their inner self."

Singh first became interested in yoga while a student in college.

"Someone once said that you find God on a cold night with a wet blanket. In effect, that's why I turned to yoga. I was in college and I was looking for something, and thought yoga might be a solution," he said.

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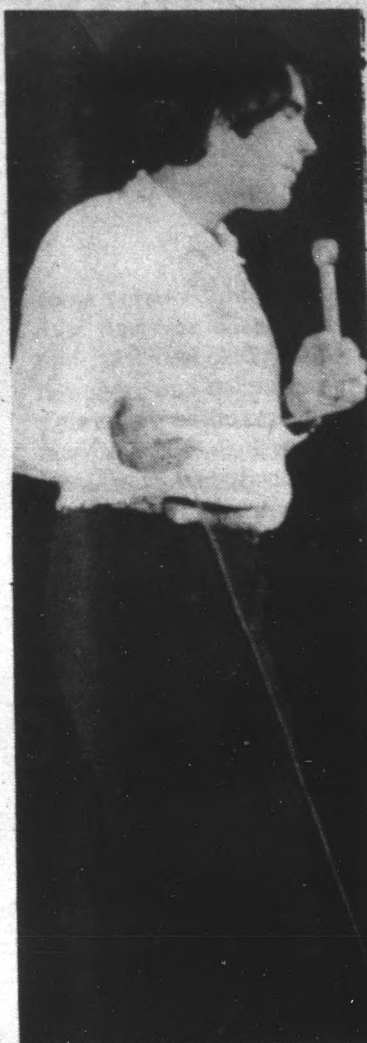
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# Zandy asks Senate to cut foreign student red tape

By Maureen Boyle  
Scribe Staff

A proposal geared to cut some of the beauracrat red tape for foreign students entering the University was discussed by the University Senate Wednesday.

The proposal, but Dr. Hassan F. Zandy, calls for the Admissions Office to designate a coordinator for admission of foreign students to examine and evaluate foreign students' transcripts and other credentials.

When foreign students are accepted at the University, the proposal says, the Foreign Student Office must accept the responsibility for helping the students in adjustment, housing, academic, personal, and immigration matters which they may face.

The Admissions Office is also to see that the I-20A Form is issued without delay to foreign

students who have been accepted to the University and who have sent in their \$50 deposit.

An I-20A form is sent to foreign students to show they have been admitted to an American university. The form is necessary for the students to obtain a student visa to come to the United States.

Zandy said the University has been losing prospective foreign students to other Universities because the I-20A forms are not sent out promptly. Some students, he said, have had to wait six months after being accepted to the University before they could begin classes.

But Sal Mastropole, foreign student advisor, said Sunday that his office usually sends the I-20A forms out four months before classes are scheduled to begin. If the forms were sent out immediately after the student

was notified of acceptance, the student may come to the University eight months before his or her classes are scheduled to begin.

The four month period, Mastropole said, is sufficient time for foreign students to get student visas.

Mastropole said his office already accepts responsibility for helping foreign students in adjustment, lodging academic, personal and immigration matters. But, he added, the University cannot accept responsibility for a student who comes to the University six months before classes are to begin.

Some students, he said, may come here several months before classes begin if the I-20A forms are sent immediately after acceptance to the University.

## Commencement set for May 16

President Leland Miles has decided that commencement will be May 16 and every effort will be made to mail diplomas within one month afterwards.

Several faculty members of the University Senate suggested at the Oct. 15 meeting that diplomas be given at graduation. But Registrar Gustave A. Seaman said commencement ceremonies may be delayed for one week if diplomas are awarded at graduation.

If final exams end May 15, it would be almost impossible to have all grades processed for commencement the following day, Seaman said.

Miles' decision was issued before the Student Council had finished compiling a survey of students on whether they wanted to wait a week for graduation.

In the Student Council survey, 65 percent of the seniors and 56 percent of the juniors surveyed,

avored graduation being held the first Sunday after final exams.

Miles, in his decision presented to the Senate, said the week's delay was not feasible for the following reasons:

—The University can't pay for an extra week of room and board for the residential students.

—Documented experience at other schools indicates it is impossible to keep students fully occupied for the extra week.

—There is no assurance, even after a week's wait, that diplomas will be available.

—Students who waited a week for graduation and have failed, would be barred from the ceremonies.

"The resulting embarrassment to such students and their families is not necessary, and is in fact detrimental to UB's relations with the community"

Miles said.

Several student senators, including Student Council President Joel Brody and College of Arts and Sciences Senator Mike Giovanniello, opposed the week wait for diplomas at commencement.

Miles also approved a suggestion by Calendar Committee members that no exams or deadlines on required work be set for Easter Monday.

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## campus calendar

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MORNING PRAYER, 8:40 a.m.,  
Interfaith Center.  
EUCHARIST SERVICE, 12 noon,  
Newman Center.  
SHARED PRAYER, 5:15 p.m.,  
Newman Center.  
KING OF HEARTS will be shown  
at the Student Center at 9 p.m. It will  
be followed by a discussion and wine  
and cheese at Georgetown Hall.  
PHONATHON, 6 to 9 p.m., Cor-  
tright Hall.  
The Office of Conference and  
Workshop Planning will sponsor an  
INSTITUTE OF ELECTRIC and  
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERS  
program from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in the  
Private Dining Room of the Student  
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director, at 576-4143 or 576-4144.  
**WEDNESDAY**  
HEBREW BEGINNERS CLASS, 3  
p.m., Interfaith Center. In-  
termediate Class is held at 4 p.m.  
EUCHARIST SERVICE, 5:15 p.m.,  
Newman Center.  
GREEK NEW TESTAMENT,  
beginning course, 7 p.m., Interfaith  
Center.  
BIBLE STUDY and EVENING  
PRAYER, 8:15 p.m., Interfaith

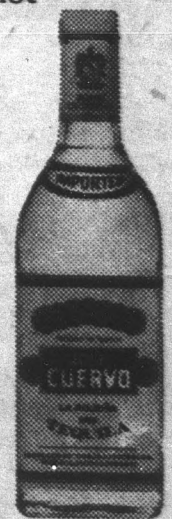
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KADIMAH, INTERFAITH  
CENTER, 8:30 p.m.  
DOES ZIONISM EQUAL  
RACISM? A Socialist Zionist  
Response. Daniel Epstein will speak  
and discuss. 9 p.m. Georgetown  
Hall.  
PHONATHON, 6 to 9 p.m., Cor-  
tright Hall.  
UNIVERSITY SENATE meets  
from 3 to 5 p.m. in Jacobson Wing of  
Mandeville Hall.  
GAY ACADEMIC UNION meets  
in the Christie Room of the Carriage  
House at 9 p.m.  
SRI CHINMOY MEDITATION  
will be held at Room 207 of the  
Student Center at 7:30 p.m.  
SEASIDE VIDEO meets today at 3  
in the AV Center of Dana Hall.  
STUDENT COUNCIL meets at 9  
p.m. in Room 207-209 of the Student  
Center.  
WINE AND WORDS, 8:30 p.m.,  
Newman Center.  
**THURSDAY**  
MORNING PRAYER, 8:40 a.m.,  
Interfaith Center.  
EUCHARIST SERVICE, 12 noon,  
Newman Center.

## NOTICIAS DE CUERVO

### TRAVEL TIPS TO MEXICO

With vacation time fast approaching, many of you will no doubt be traveling to Mexico. Some of you might even be coming back. Here are some helpful hints.

1. A man on a burro always has the right of way, unless he appears to be a weakling.
2. In local cantinas, pouring a shot of Cuervo down a man's collar is not thought to be humorous.
3. Falling onto a cactus, even an actual Cuervo cactus, can be a sticky proposition.
4. It is tough to find hamburger rolls in the smaller towns; it's best to bring your own.



## Kings, Central blast practice--short netters

The Purple Knights women's volleyball team dropped two opening games last week to Central Connecticut and Kings College.

In the first game against Central Connecticut the Knights lost the match in two straight games 15-5 and 15-7. Thursday against a powerful Kings College team the women lost the first game and won the second 15-11. In the rubber match the ladies lost a close game 11-15.

In the Central game Coach Ann Fariss cited co-captains Linda Mathinos and Marilyn Mather as the outstanding

players of the day. "Gerine Abrams, Stacy Dean and Debby Bellemly played exceptionally well against Kings" she said.

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Purple Knight players Dan Skowronski, left, and Hughie O'Neill, right, put pressure on their NYU opponent on Wednesday. Game resulted in a 2-1 win for the Knights, their seventh in a row.

John Carraro

## O'Neill nears scoring record with NYU win

By Paul Neuwirth  
Sports Staff

The Purple Knight booters, ranked third in New England and 17th in the nation, won their seventh straight game by defeating New York University 2-1 on Wednesday.

Behind Hugh O'Neill and Esteban Sebourne, the Knights' two top scorers, the men in white won their ninth game of the season, while NYU's sporting two losses and one tie, send the Violets' record to 3-7.

Sebourne broke the ice at 25:30 of the first half following a diving save by NYU goalie Max Chicoye on Captain Dan Skowronski's blazing shot. Bobby Lees assisted on the goal when he squared a pass outside to Sebourne for the shot.

The score remained 1-0 until 23:13 of the final period when

O'Neill scored his eleventh goal of the season on a penalty kick. The free shot came after a holding call against the Violets of NYU. The score, which proved to be the winning goal, put O'Neill one goal closer to the magic number 44. O'Neill has now scored 41 goals in his Bridgeport career, ranked second behind the all-time leading Bridgeport scorer Mike Bilmont.

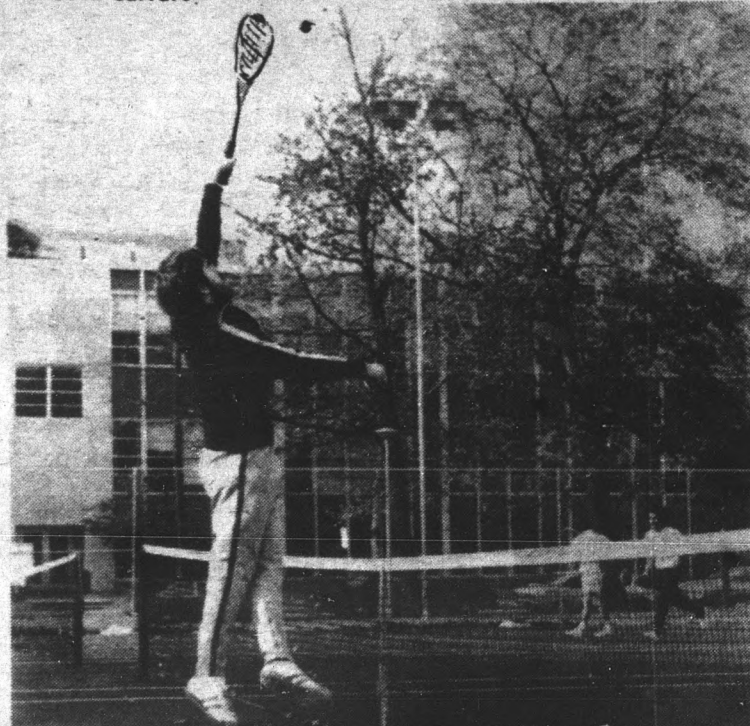
NYU scored its lone goal with 1:45 left in the game. The score came as a result of a handball call against the Knights within the penalty area. The goal prevented goalie Steve Radespiel from getting his fourth shutout in the last six games.

For the Knights, it was their 26 and 27 goals of the regular season. They have only let in 12 goals with a one-a-game average. The Bridgeport defense behind goalie Radespiel and fullbacks Wayne Grant, Bob Hogan, and Eric Unterborn have only given up four goals in the last seven games. The win also puts Coach Baron's boys closer to a NCAA New England division tournament berth. The pairings should be out by mid-November with Bridgeport, UCONN and Brown leading the field.

O'Neill reflected on the game by saying, "Every game I have a shadow on me. There are plenty of games that I know that I am going to get butchered out there, so I just move away from the goal letting some of the younger players score."

O'Neill said he can really feel the pressure the end of the season is putting on, but he feels that this year's squad can come through in the big games. The squad will be going for its eighth straight win against Southern Connecticut tomorrow at 2 p.m. at Seaside Park.

Vic Goldman



The first annual UB Tennis Open, after being rained out for the past two weekends, finally was played under beautiful autumn skies Saturday and Sunday. Here Glen Rippel is seen powering an overhead. The finals of the tournament, which is yet to be contested, will be between the teams of Steven Spector and George Blake and Bob Elenowitz and George Glenn.

## Mather captains hockey, volleyball

By Stephen Yarmalovicz  
Sports Staff

Marilyn Mather, the co-captain of the women's field hockey team, like most college athletes has a busy day during the season. Besides a busy class schedule, she has to contend with at least a two hour practice at the end of the day.

Few have to worry about another two hour practice after the first one as Mather does. For three weeks during the year she has to go thru this grueling schedule when field hockey and volleyball overlap.

So until the field hockey season ends this Tuesday, Mather will be practicing field hockey from 3-5 p.m., grab a quick supper and then run over to practice volleyball from 6-8 p.m.

Mather's burden is also increased by the responsibility of being the co-captain of the volleyball team as well as the field hockey team.

The double schedule has caused some problems with Mather and some of her field hockey teammates who also play volleyball. A conflict in the hockey-volleyball schedule was avoided this last Tuesday when a volleyball match was rescheduled so as not to coincide with a field hockey game.

A physical education major, Mather has also found time to play basketball for the University, as well as attend to her studies well enough to be a

Dean's List student.

Mather is happy with the women's athletic program at Bridgeport, but would "like to see more non phys.-ed. people in the program."

As co-captain of field hockey and volleyball, Mather says she tries to lead by example. "I don't go out and yell and cheer, the players can only inspire themselves," she said.

Last year, as a junior, Mather won awards in both field hockey and volleyball, voted on by her teammates, that goes to the player that shows the most desire and character, along with playing ability.

The senior from Hamden, Conn., hopes to teach physical education and coach after she graduates from the University.

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